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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir,

In response to the restriction requirement issued August 4, 1999, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of invention I, i.e., claims 1-15 and 22-26. In addition, Applicants provisionally elect pneumolysin species pNV207.

Further, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restriction of inventions I, III and IV which are related as product and processes of use. Applicants submit that in this case, if the product is novel and unobvious, the method of killing bacteria and method for immunization are also novel and unobvious. Therefore, the examination of the claims of inventions III and IV in addition to the claims of invention I should not impose an undue burden upon the Examiner

PATENTDocket No. 1758-4036US2AUTHORIZATION

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Respectfully submitted,

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